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SUBJECT: SNAP ELECTION REPORTEDLY TO BE CALLED FOR JUNE 12

1. AMID INCREASING SIGNS THAT A SNAP ELECTION MAY BE IN THE WIND, THE TABLOID WEEKLY "SUNDAY PUNCH" OF APRIL 23 FRONT-PAGED A STORY REPORTING THAT JUNE 12 HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE DATE. THE ARTICLE STATES THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RULING PEOPLE'S NATIONAL MOVMENT'S GENERAL COUNCIL HAS BEEN CALLED FOR APRIL 27 IN PREPARATION FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION. IT ALSO REPORTS THAT FORMER HEIR APPARENT TO PM WILLIAMS, KARL HUDSON-PHILLIPS, WILL REENTER PARLIAMENTARY POLITICS AND RUN AGAIN FOR HIS FORMER SEAT, DIEGO MARTIN EAST, UNDER THE PNM BANNER.

2. COMMENT. THE "SUNDAY PUNCH" IIS THE ONLY PUBLICATION THUS FAR TO GIVE A SPECIFIC DATE FOR THE RUMORED GENERAL ELECTION. WHILE WE CANNOT CONFIRM THE ACCURACY OF THE ARTICLE AS YET, ITS ASSERTIONS APPEAR ENTIRELY PLAUSIBLE AND CONSISTENT WITH OTHER AVAILABLE EVIDENCE.
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